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SUBJECT:STATEMENT BY AMBASSADOR YOUNG ISSUED IN GENEVA, 7/13

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FOLLOWING ON FYI BASIS, IS AMBASSADOR'S STATEMENT WHICH HE
MADE IN GENEVA JULY 13, FOLLOWING HIS INTERVIEW WITH LE
MATIN.

A LENGTHY INTERVIEW HAS BEEN EXCERPTED TO GIVE AN ERRONEOUS
IMPRESSION OF MY VIEWS ON THE TRIAL OF MR. ANTOLYI
SHCHARANSKIY. LET ME ASSURE YOU THAT I AM FULLY IN ACCORD
WITH THE STRONG STATEMENTS CONDEMNING THE PERSECUTION OF
SOVIET DISSIDENTS ISSUED BY PRESIDENT CARTER AND SECRETARY

VANCE AND HAVE ACTIVELY SUPPORTED THE MOVEMENT FOR UNIVERSAL
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HUMAN RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS AND ESPECIALLY THE CAUSE OF SOVIET
JEWRY FROM MY EARLIEST DAYS IN THE U.S. CONGRESS. NOR
HAVE I EVER EQUATED THE STATUS OF POLITICAL FREEDOM IN THE
U.S. WITH THAT IN THE SOVIET UNION. I KNOW OF NO INSTANCE
IN THE UNITED STATES WHERE PERSONS HAVE RECEIVED PENALTIES
FOR MONITORING OUR GOVERNMENT'S POSITION ON CIVIL OR HUMAN
RIGHTS. LAST JUNE IN ATLANTA AT A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

MEMORIALIZING THE HOLOCAUST, I MET THE YOUNGER BROTHER OF

MR. SHCHARANSKIY AND I WAS GREATLY IMPRESSED BY THE COURAGE
AND DETERMINATION HE EXPRESSED TOWARD THE PROSPECT OF FULL
CULTURAL AND RELIGIOUS FREEDOMS IN HIS COUNTRY. HE SAID
THAT SOVIET CITIZENS WANTED AND NEEDED STRONG REACTIONS
FROM ALL FREEDOM-LOVING PEOPLE AND EXPRESSED THE HUMAN
RIGHTS CONCERNS THAT WE HAVE EXPRESSED. CHRISTOPHER

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